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GEORGIE WINS YOUTH TITLE

. . .but will Marconi protest?

SUNSHINE George Cross won the National Youth Championship at Middle Park on Sunday, beating Marconi Youth 3-2 in a final marred by controversy.

The referee appointed to the game failed to turn up, and after a 45-minute delay, a junior referee in the crowd volunteered his services.

Marconi took the field under protest, and will probably complain to the NSL. Spectators also were angry at being charged $5 admission to a game that traditionally has always been a curtain-raiser to the NSL Grand Final.

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● Back Row: Kevin Muscatt, Gary Hasler, Doug Gorevski, Jim Gorevski, Jose Paz, Andrew Marth, John Campelj, Sean Keogh. Front Row: Wayne Attard, David Alimi, Martin Radobuljac, George Karkaletsis, George Alevizos, Athan Zacharias, Chris Taylor.

NSL CUP TO ADELAIDE CITY

ADELAIDE City won the NSL Cup for a second time on Sunday at Hindmarsh Stadium, downing Sydney Olympic 2-0 in a game that was also delayed over a refereeing problem.

Local FIFA referee Donald Campbell rushed from home to referee when the scheduled referee, Melbourne's Dennis Voutsinas, was delayed by the pilots' strike.

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SCHAEFER SIGNS FOR APIA

MANFRED Shaefer, at present piloting Brunswick Juventus to what seems a certain State League Championship, on Monday signed a three-year contract to coach troubled AIA Leichhardt.

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STATE LEAGUE RESULTS AT A GLANCE

- 'GATE 0 JUVE 2
- M'BYRNONG 0 T'TOWN 2
- FALCONS 3 BOX HILL 1
- R'WOOD 0 BULLEEN 1
- SAINTS 2 N'COTE 0
- FAWKNER 2 CROYDON 0
- GULLY 6 PINES 0
- S'VALE 1 C'FIELD 2

1996 AND ALL THAT

THE unveiling last Thursday of the Victorian Government's $1 billion re-development plan to boost Melbourne's 1996 Olympics bid has both good and bad implications from soccer's point of view.

Briefly, the money is to be spent on four different projects:

● A new all indoor sport complex will be built in Albert park, replacing the antiquated buildings there at present, to house table tennis and basketball and, after the Olympics, designed to be converted into a new swimming headquarters.

● A new velodrome to be built to international standards at the Showgrounds.

● A 30-storey office tower alongside the World Trade Centre, which would be the media centre during the Olympics.

● Last, but by no means least, the development of a "peoples' village", in the heart of what is now referred to as the Olympic precinct.

The Olympic precinct already includes the MCG, the Entertainment Centre, Olympic Park, and Cain's Cathedral aka the National Tennis Centre.

If Melbourne's Olympic bid is successful, the Olympic precinct will be turned into what is described as a mini-expo for the duration of the games with a "peoples' village promoting a festival feel" to quote the official hand-out.

There will be tents and stalls selling games merchandise and theatrical and musical events and "other entertainment" too.

All very grand, but then comes the rub . . . it is also going to be turned into a pedestrian mall.

Most of us whose jobs take us to Olympic Park regularly thought that Swan Street had already been turned into a pedestrian mall, but the nightmare is only just beginning.

You won't be able to approach Olympic Park by road at all.

Apparently a huge car park is to be built in Jolimont served by a footbridge into the MCG grounds.

Soccer fans will park there, use the new footbridge and then walk to the other footbridge over the railway lines and into Swan Street.

It is envisaged that after 1996 we will have the fittest soccer fans in the world.

And where does Olympic Park fit into this grand design?

Olympic Park management has welcomed the plan with enthusiasm, because it fits in well with its development outlook.

It had already been put under pressure by the announcement of the NSW Government's blueprint to build a new sports complex at Homebush to reinforce its 1998 Commonwealth Games bid.

The Homebush complex will include a new, all-seater soccer stadium that will be up to international standard and OPMC saw that as a threat to Olympic Park's chances of hosting international matches in Melbourne.

So the plans were already on the drawing board to give Olympic Park a big face-lift that would turn it into an all-seater stadium capable of accommodating 40,000 fans.

This, I understand, will go ahead, irrespective of whether Melbourne hosts the Games or not.

If the decision is made next September in our favor the Goverment will pay for the improvements, if not, OPMC will shoulder the burden.

Either way, it will be great for the game's image in Victoria and possibly OPMC will be able to persuade the VSF to move into offices there.

When the NSW Greiner Government announced its Homebush plans, it was implied that the ASF would move into that complex also but this has since been denied by ASF chairman Ian Brusasco.

Two of the ASF's five commissioners are Victorians, VSF chairman Vito Cilauro and NSL chairman Sam Papasavas, and it's time they started lobbying hard on Olympic Park's behalf, because unless the present trend is reversed, we could finish up in a situation where all international matches are played in Sydney.

Instead of squabbling amongst themselves and bothering about establishing Super Leagues, etc., our masters at Soccer House should be getting more concerned about the fact that Melbourne, once the powerhouse of Australian soccer, is becoming the backwater of the game.

The relegation of two giants like Heidelberg and JUST was a body blow from which Victoria might never recover, especially if NSL promotion and relegation is suspended.

There are some people in power in the VSF who secretly harbor hopes that the NSL will collapse and the clubs will return to the fold.

But they can dream on, despite all the wishful thinking it isn't going to happen, now that the NSL has got its hands on all that lovely Victorian Health Promotion Foundation money.

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SIR ARTHUR'S LEGACY . . . DEBT

You probably didn't notice (shame on you), but a lunch was held recently in Sydney, to farwell Sir Arthur George, who stepped down as ASF top nob in July.

About 80 of Sydney's soccer elite and nonentities including Joe Brent (what do you mean, who's Joe Brent?) enjoyed the excruciating pleasure of listening to a half-hour long eulogy of self praise from the departing partriarch.

That amateur journalist for The Australian, who must be a leading contender for the Brown Nose Award of 1989, described Sir Art as a great public speaker . . . he must have been the only person awake at the end of the monologue.

He then went on to say what a pity it was that some TV stations didn't see fit to televise the whole dreadful affair for the benefit of we Mexicans who have the misfortune to reside outside Sin City.

Lucky us, I say, we didn't have to listen as Art explained away the Gold Cup fiasco and told his enraptured hand-picked audience what a lot he had done for junior soccer.

I'm reliably informed by a real journalist that just about the only cliche Artie didn't trot out was the one that so delighted the great Winston Churchill, himself no mean speaker.

"He has used every cliche" said Churchill of an opponent in a parliamentary debate, except "gentleman, please adjust your dress before leaving," a notice prominently displayed on the wall of the gents in the Houses of Parliament.

Sir Arthur George has gone, but he has left us a legacy; the ASF is proposing to levy every player in the country $1 a head to help to reduce its $1 million debt.

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SUNDAY AGE KILLS 'EM

Like the rest of Victoria, I was all agog at the thought of not one, but three new Sunday newspapers all being born on the same day, and furthermore being delivered . . . no more running down to the milk-bar in the rain.

What luxury, three papers to read in bed . . . mind you it had to be a king-size bed to cope with two broadsheets and one tabloid not to mention the fact that the bedroom floor was knee-deep in color magazines.

So what did we get?

Let's analyse all three papers solely from a soccer point of view.

****The Sunday Sun***

I WROTE last week that the Sunday Press wasn't fit to wrap chips . . . ditto the Sunday Sun, which is only the Press under a different masthead.

Given the sporting staff, what else could you expect?

The Sun itself has the biggest readership in the country, somewhere in the region of 500,000 daily, and it has picked up a Sunday newspaper that had sales of over 200,000 so it probably feels invulnerable and complacent.

But what it gave soccer fans on Sunday won't do at all.

It was the same old out-of-date Clive Powell stuff, written early in the week, a quick telephone round-up of the three State League matches, but no live coverage, and a "ghosted" column by "authoritative" Alan Davidson.

Bit deal, where were the Saturday Victorian and Provisional League results and tables?

There were 22 pages of sport in all and soccer got on to the 22nd, which just about sums up its sports editor's opinion of the game.

****Sunday Herald***

THE Sunday Herald has Jon Anderson, former assistant to Sunday Press's Scott Palmer as its sports editor, need you know more?

Its soccer coverage was, in a word, pathetic.

It had a 10-paragraph picture story on the unfortunate John Markovski showing him sitting at home watching television and nursing his injured right foot.

"Jonesy" flew back from Belgium last week, after trialling with Belgian club Mechelen, where he was injured.

The rest of the paper's tiny coverage consisted of a story by Doug Booth knocking Victorian soccer and topped off by a few paragraphs about the new commissioners which was so inaccurate it was hilarious.

Booth says: "The appointment of a five-man Board of Commissioners similar to the VFL has been mooted, but again, little progress has been made."

Then he adds: "Cilauro is a firm believer in the proposal, especially if one of the comissioners was from outside who would be able to express unbiased opinions and put forward fresh ideas."

He finishes off by saying: "The commissioners matter has been put on the back burner for the present while the legal implications are worked out."

I think the reason the story sounds so stupid and inaccurate is that Booth has got confused and thinks that a five-man commission is going to take over the VSF, which is not the case.

The VSF is run by the Board of Management and there is no likelihood whatsoever of that arrangement ever being

But a five-man Board of Commissioners HAS been appointed to run the ASF and has already sat twice.

Furthermore, as readers of this column will already know, there is a commissioner from outside soccer and his name is Ken Archer, former Australian Test cricketer.

As for Saturday's matches, for all that paper cares, they didn't take place and despite Booth's presence at the St Albans game, it couldn't find room for his match report, miniscule though it would have been.

The three State League match results were buried in the middle of the sports results sandwiched between local cricket and golf five pages away.

****The Sunday Age***

WHEN I heard that the Sunday Age would be a broadsheet, I wasn't too thrilled, but the concept of a 32-page sports lift-out in tabloid form is brilliant, easy to handle and bright and readable.

There's a whole page of soccer, plus all the results and tables . . . there's no poing in going on about it, from a soccer supporter's point of view it's great, don't waste your money buying the others.

One teeny, weeny criticism, there is no mention of TV sport, so the fact that the English First Division is back on your telly gets overlooked.

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WHAT'S IN A NAME?

AS you probably know, most soccer clubs here keep their names relatively simple, unlike our colleagues in sports like basketball (Raiders, Giants, Spectres, 36ers) and gridiron (Redskins, Cowboys, Buccaneers — no, I'm not going to tell the old buccaneer joke — and Broncos).

I am of course, trying to forget — just like the NSL Brains Trust — that some eight or nine years ago we had some rather strange nicknames for our NSL clubs (Heidelberg-Alexander United Warriors was one of them, I think), but a recent letter I received from a Scottish pal of mine, now living in Vancouver, Canada, started me thinking along these lines again.

His name is Robert Dick, and he is a regular reader of Soccer Star (only Sports Illustrated outsells us over there) and he just couldn't wait to tell me that a pal of his was soon to go off to the United States on a Soccer Scholarship, to play for — wait for it — the Virginia Tech "Gobblers".

Jumping Mummy!

So, after I received this missive, I've been hard at work compiling a list of attractive fixtures for the Victorian soccer fans and here are some possible future match-ups:

Altona Gate "Alligators" v Box Hill "Brown Bombers", Croydon "Cutthroats" v Frankston "Pine Cones", Ringwood "Dutch Dunderheads" v Westgate "Bridges", and Knox City "Shopping Centres" v Werribee "Stinkers".

No offence intended — with the exception of Ringwood — and none taken, I'm sure.

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RAPONI'S BACK HOME

I bumped into Maro Raponi, the erstwhile JUST (Eagles?) goal-keeper last week at his sports store at 413 Bell Street, Pascoe Vale, and he was telling me about his miserable season just past.

I told him not to go to Footscray.)

Now that his spell there is thankfully over, it's back to Thomastown for Maro.

That's where I always expect him to be in gaol; it didn't even look right seeing him with another club.

In hindsight, it looks as if JUST only signed him to keep Zoran Nikitovic's jersey warm and Maro — as you might expect — is a bit disgusted by it all.

Every season is a new one thought, Maro, and I will be looking forward to slotting one past you next season.

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DON'T GIVE UP YOUR DAY JOB, PETE

My wife Ann and I enjoyed a good night last Saturday at Arabella's Restaurant, Melton.

Green Gully's Stevie McLelland's wife, Maggie, was celebrating her birthday and everybody who is anybody was there, including Cross's Les Carter, Peter Lewis, Paul Lewis and Chris Taylor, Colin Quickly, Danny Ward, Brendan Farmer and most of the Green Gully Ajax's, all with their lovely wives (how's that girls?).

Unfortunately, it quickly became apparent that Maggie had only invited me to whinge about my not featuring Stevie prominently in my column, even though we grew up together and he scored a glorious winner at Thomastown two weeks ago — "a tremendous 20 yarder into the postage stamp" according to "Mags", who wasn't even there.

Seriously, though, Stevie is undoubtedly the best player in the State League.

(I hope that makes you regret punching me in the mouth, Mags.)

I must, however, question the good judgement of the disc jockey who foolishly passed a microphone over to big Peter Lewis — resplendent in his new suit — who then turned into a cross between Jimmy Barnes and Roland Gift.

Peter is not the best of singers you know, and neither is Chris Taylor's wife, Helen, as she proved while harmonising (?) with Jennifer Warnes and Bill Medley on "I Had the Time of my Life".

Helen, incidentally, is expecting their first arrival at the end of February.

This same DJ was also puzzled by Les Carter's request for "My Sharona" by The Knack, but he did play Robert Palmer's "Simply Irresistible" which sounds like the same record to me.

Incidentally Robert Palmer was NOT a member of the famous half-back line of Emerson, Lake and Palmer — that was Carl.

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TONY HAS THE KNACK

I've been a lot recently how I manage to keep going in the State League at age 36 (it's my birthday today, 24th August).

Part of the credit (or blame) for this I must give to Tony Noy, the President of Ringwood Wilhelmina, who must be the busiest physitherapist in the eastern suburbs.

Tony and his wife Estalita, are almost solely responsible for keeping old crocks like Kees Storm, Mike Sinclair, Ron Verniers and myself in playing shiape, and that is not an easy task I can assure you.

Tony, of course, is an old Wilhelmina and Slavia favorite himself and we are fortunate to have him in our area, as i'm told that there is a real shortage of physios on the other side of the city.

Sorry about that Dunderheads crack, Tony.

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DANNY WAS RE-AWARDED!

And lastly, it was news to me that Danny Ward was the player-coach down at North Geelong at the start of the year, I thought he was just down there as a player.

But no, after winning the Geelong Advertiser Cup at the start of the season, he revereted back to just playing.

They're going well too and are top of Division Two, although they lost to Brighton on Saturday.

Thought: Winning pre-season cups here in Melbourne seems to automatically mean that you'll "Mutually agree" to be dumped by season's end.

Bye, bye,
— RAB.

● Steve McLelland . . . finally rating a mention in Rab's column.

● Danny Ward . . . in the thick of the action.

NELSON'S COLUMN

NSL DETAILS

Georgie does it

SUNSHINE George Cross captured its first National Youth League Champions crown when it defeated Marconi 3-2 at Middle Park last Sunday.

Sunshine and Marconi had to wait 40 minutes before they could take the field and battle for silverware because none of the appointed officials bothered to appear.

Restless and frustrated, players and fans were forced to wait until a junior league referee, Mr Paul Calleja, who intended to watch the match as a spectator, was plucked from the crowd and asked to take control of proceedings.

Calleja and his two plain-clothed linesmen performed admirably, saving the NSL from further embarrassment but Marconi may still protest over the affair.

When the game got underway, Australia's future stars, proved that the wait had been worth it.

Looking for sweet revenge after losing last season's National Youth Grand Final to Marconi, George Cross raced to a 3-0 lead in a four-minute spell.

The first goal was scored in the 35th minute by John Campelj, who struck a half-volley from the edge of the box into the net, after Gary Hasler flicked the ball on with a header.

Within a minute George Cross had the ball in the back of the net again when Athan Zacharias poked his shot past 'keeper Mark Schwarzer, after running onto a chipped through ball from skipper George Karkaletsis.

And hometown celebrations on the terraces, Marconi could not believe its bad luck, when it fell further behind in the 39th minute.

Hose Paz crossed the ball from the left wing into the penalty area, which caused serious problems for the Sydneysiders.

Schwarzer was forced to deny shots from Zacharias and Hasler (twice) before Marin Radobuljac ended his sides' agony by planting his effort past Schwarzer and the outstretched foot of Marconi defender Anthony Budini.

In the 45th minute Marconi's Paul Okon converted a penalty, to reduce the margin, after Sunshine's Chris Taylor committed a foul in the penalty area.

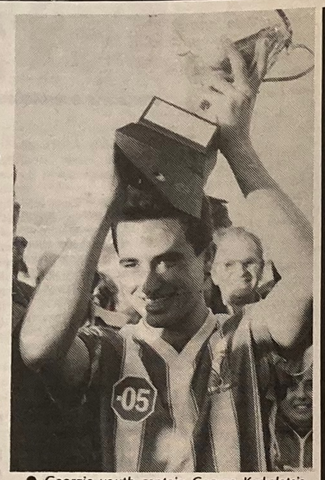
Okon made no mistake in sending Sean Keogh the wrong way, and signalling that the match was far from over.

The second-half was dominated by Marconi, although not before Hasler smashed a shot against the crossbar from the edge of the six yard box.

Reluctant to surender its title, Marconi scored through Geoff Gunning in the 74th minute to provide a tense and nail-biting final quarter of an hour. The goal came after some good work on the right wing, Budini passed to Carlos Vanegas, who squared the ball to Gunning, whose left foot shot from outside the box beat the outstretched hands of Keogh, before clipping the inside of the post and landing safely over the goal line.

But Sunshine handled Marconi's comeback well, and held out until the final whistle to be awarded the trophy which has eluded it for the past three seasons.

By Costa Koutropoulos



● *Georgie youth captain George Karkaletsis proudly holds the Cup aloft.*

YOUTH FINAL

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 3 (Campelj 35th, Zacharias 46th, Radobuljac 39th) MARCONI 2 (P. Okan 45th, Gunning 74th)
At Middle Park, Sunday. Referee J. Calleja.
SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS: Keogh - Taylor, Alevizos, Marth, Paz (Alimi 80th) - Karkaletsis, Attard (Muscatt 75th), Zacharias, Campelj - Hasler, Radobuljac. Coach Lou Kastner.
MARCONI: Schwarzer - Carluccio (inj. Manamone 25th), P. Okon, Charlwood, Cortez - Gunning, Budini, K. Okon, Licata - Vanegas, Lopez (Ienco 60th).

CUP FINAL

ADELAIDE CITY 2 (Maxwell 25th, A. Vidmar 40th) SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0
At Hindmarsh Stadium, Sunday. Crowd 10,000. Referee D. Campbell.
ADELAIDE CITY: Zabica - Shillabeer, Ivanovic, Flounders, Tobin - Melta, T. Vidmar, Santrac, A. Vidmar - Mullen, Maxwell. Coach Zoran Matic.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier - Barrett, Hooker, Bernal, Georgakis - Phillips, Ironside, Koch (Spyridakos 67th), Lee - Saad, Edwards. Coach Eddie Thomson.

● *Marconi's Geoff Gunning displays his aerial skills as Martin Radobuljac looks on astonished.*

● *Marconi's Rinato Licata is halted by George Alevizos.*

Cup joy for City slickers

by ALLAN CRISP of the Adelaide Advertiser

FIRST half goals from Steve Maxwell and Aurelio Vidmar gave Adelaide City a 2-0 NSL Cup final victory over Sydney Olympic at Hindmarsh Stadium yesterday.

City, which first won the national cup then the Philips Cup in 1979, employed hit-and-run tactics in an inspired first half before nailing up the defensive shutters in the second term.

The final brought joy to City and added to Olympic's winter of discontent after the young boys in blue lost the West End NSL grand final to Marconi last week.

Both teams endured pre-match problems with City stopper Neville Flounders needing two fitness tests on his injured groin before deciding to take his place in the centre of the City defence.

Olympic coach Eddie Thomson was forced to change his starting line-up when George Ilaniotis was prematurely cleared to Greek club Apollon, rendering the defender ineligible.

Former Ipswich defender Andrew Bernal replaced Haniotis while Gary Philips deputised for Greek bound Socceroo midfielder Jason Polak.

City's only regular first teamer missing was injured Charley Villani, who was replaced by talented teenager Tony Vidmar.

It was Vidmar who threatened the Olympic goal first with a 30m shot which goalkeeper Gary Meier tipped over the top of his crossbar.

City's aggressive, purposeful approach gave it the edge from the kick-off and its accurate wide passing game to both flanks brought roars of approval from the large crowd.

With Yugoslav import Milan Ivanovich exerting calm authority at sweeper and Flounders solid in support, City experienced no fears until the ninth minute when Abbas Saad cleverly crossed under pressure to Grant Lee, but the midfielder boomed his attempt high over the crossbar.

City broke through in

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MARCONI'S NIGHT OF TRIUMPH

NOT surprisingly, Marconi topped off a wonderful season by walking off with the major awards at the NSL annual awards dinner, held this year at Melbourne's Hyatt on Collins.

The League's top goalscorer, Zlatko Nastevski of Marconi won the player of the Year award by a street, polling 253 votes to croatia's Zeljko Adzic's 66, with South Melbourne's Paul Trimboli coming third with 64 votes.

The award is a players' player one, with all NSL players voting on a 1, 2, 3 basis at the end of the season.

Nastevski's 20 goals naturally earned him the top goalscorer trophy too.

And Marconi coach Berti Mariani won the Coach of the Year Award, polling 15 votes to Adelaide City's Zoran Matic 10, with Eddie Thomson coming third with 9.

Other awards went to Paul Trimboli, who won both the Under 21 Player of the Year Award for the second time and the ABC Goal of the Year Award.

Craig Sharpley of Sydney Olympic and Joe Rados of Melbourne Croatia were voted Youth League Player of the Year in the North and South respectively, and veteran Newcastle referee Jim Reeves surprisingly took out the Referee of the Year Award.

● *Paul Trimboli, voted U/21 Player of the Year for the second year in succession.*

● *NSL Coach of the Year Berti Mariani lays down the law at training, but his star player Zlatko Nastevski doesn't seem too impressed, does he!*

● *Marconi — NSL 1989 Champion Back row: Matteo Colucci, Vince Colagiuri, Fred de Jong, Peter Katholos, Robert Catlin, Steve Calderan, Paul Carter. Front row: Zlatko Nastevski, Jean Paul de Marigny, Robert Wheatley, David Lowe, Tommy McCulloch, Ian Gray.*

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SLAUGHTER IN 3 WEST

STIRRED by the looming threat of Ardeer, St Albans Dynamo and Altona North Tarxien set out to make hay while the sun shone against weaker opposition. The Dynamos travelled to Sunbury and came away more than happy with themselves after demolishing their luckless hosts 8-0. But over at Altona worse was to happen to Kings Park Heights, with the home side bolting away to a ruthless 13-0 victory.

For the Tarxiens, "Gainy" Gech led the way with four goals, backed up by a hat trick from Robert Rotin, doubles to Vito Robino and Charley Gerada, and singles to Philip Smith and another player.

For St Albans Dynamo, there was less sharing of the spoils, with Ivan Grgas notching six, while Zdenko Brkljacic and Milenko Juricevic made up the tally. Actually, of the two, Altona North Tarxien maintained its momentum better, converting a 7-0 half time lead to a 13-0 final score, whereas St Albans Dynamo, which led 6-0 at halftime, found it very hard to capitalise on its multitude of second half chances.

St Albans Wanderers has little left to play for this season, except to make life difficult for the big boys, and the Wanderers certainly made it hard for Ardeer in this round, leading for most of the match.

A moment of defensive carelessness at the 25th minute allowed Kevin Gehner to swoop on the ball and put the Wanderers into the lead. It was desperation stuff for Ardeer as it fought frantically to stem the Wanderers' onslaught.

It was not until a quarter hour of the second half that elapsed that Ardeer was able to strike a balance. From then on it gradually gained control of the game, aided by a spectator solo run at the 65th minute by Eddie Robel. Having equalised, Ardeer, desperate for both points, threw everyone into attack, but the Wanderers defended as relentlessly as they had earlier attacked.

With a bare five minutes left, Ardeer had the better of scramble with Andrew Nelson trickling theer the line. A very relievArdeer came away with the two points it so desperately needed to keep its Championship hopes alive, but which on the day it hardly deserved.

In the event, nothing changed in this division, except that Tarxien now has a better goal difference than St Albans Dynamo. Both the front runners have such a commanding goal difference that Ardeer will have to beat both of them if it wants to finish to

A misprint in the fixtures saw unnecessary points given away in Division Three East by Dallas United and by Keeley Kings. Since very few teams have ever been asked to play at 10 am on a Tuesday, we are surprised that someone in the respective managements did not wake up. In fact, we understand that the only players to show were the few who missed midweek training.

Nevertheless, the slip made no difference to Dallas United, which had already sewn up the championship some weeks back. It could, however, prove costly to Keeley Kings, which needed the points from this match to have any hope of staying in the top four.

Laminex was duly grateful as it moved into second spot, aided in no small measure by Taxation United being held, surprisingly, to a 1-all draw by the much less fancied Westall PIPA.

Despite having the bye, Eltham & Diamond Valley maintains its leadership of Division Four with a five-point break on each of Sunshine Macedonia, which has climbed back into second position, Epping Thistle and Endeavour United.

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Footscray Un 3 Montrose 1 (1-0)
Highpoint 7 Apollo U 0 (3-0)
Northc Utd 2 Altona II 7 (1-6)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
HIGHPOINT	15	14	0	1	43	7	28
FOOTSCRAY UNITED	15	10	2	3	40	16	22
ALTONA ILINDEN	14	10	2	2	35	13	22
ANZ BANK	15	7	2	6	20	16	16
FIBREMAKERS UTD	14	5	2	7	24	32	12
AUSTN AIRLINES	15	4	3	8	22	30	11
APOLLO UNITED	13	5	1	7	32	44	11
MONTROSE	13	5	0	8	21	21	10
MIDDLE PARK	14	2	2	10	15	47	6
NORTHCOTE UTD	14	2	0	12	24	50	4
RESERVES	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
FOOTSCRAY UNITED	15	10	4	1	35	16	24
ANZ BANK	15	9	5	1	37	16	23
HIGHPOINT	14	7	6	1	31	9	20
AUSTN AIRLINES	15	7	5	3	34	22	19
MONTROSE	13	4	4	5	23	19	12
ALTONA ILINDEN	14	4	3	7	30	41	11
NORTHCOTE UTD	14	4	3	7	22	36	11
APOLLO UNITED	13	3	2	8	19	39	8
MIDDLE PARK	13	3	1	9	18	29	7
FIBREMAKERS UTD	14	1	3	10	18	49	5

DIVISION ONE AFTERNOON

Coomoora Sp 0 Rowv U 2 (1-4)
Flamingo 6 Windsor 4 (2-2)
Glenroy D/U 2 Hampton P/U 4 (6-2)
Thomastown U 6 Melb. Rumania 3 (0-9)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
HAMPTON PARK UTD	13	9	2	2	39	22	20
WINDSOR	14	8	2	4	45	33	18
THOMASTOWN UTD	13	[illegible]	3	4	33	25	15
COOMOORA SPIDERS	13	[illegible]	2	5	33	27	14
FLAMINGO	13	5	4	4	33	32	14
MELB RUMANIA	14	5	3	6	40	38	13
GLENROY DOXA UTD	12	3	4	5	21	31	10
ROWVILLE UNITED	12	2	2	8	16	30	6
S'VALE EAGLES	12	2	2	8	21	43	6
RESERVES	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
WINDSOR	14	9	3	2	37	21	21
MELB RUMANIA	14	8	1	5	46	33	17
GLENROY DOXA UTD	11	7	0	4	27	17	14
FLAMINGO	12	5	4	3	30	23	14
ROWVILLE UNITED	12	6	1	5	29	23	13
HAMPTON PARK UTD	13	6	0	7	35	28	12
S'VALE EAGLES	11	4	2	5	23	25	10
COOMOORA SPIDERS	13	3	1	9	25	42	7
THOMASTOWN UTD	10	1	0	9	8	42	2

DIVISION TWO MIXED

Cretan Athl 6 Nth. X S/H 0 (6-1)
Harambee W SB Spurs 0 (W-0)
Oakleigh C 5 Leros Un 2 (3-2)
Swinburne 3 Melb P 1 (3-2)
Tottenham 1 Middle E 1 (6-0)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
CRETAN ATHLETIC	15	12	1	2	59	20	25
TOTTENHAM	12	10	1	1	55	12	21
HARAMBEE	12	9	1	2	53	25	19
MIDDLE EAST	14	8	2	4	37	26	18
SWINBURNE	15	7	0	8	31	47	14
OAKLEIGH CITY	14	6	1	7	40	36	13
NTH X ST.HELENA	13	3	1	9	20	45	7
S.B. SPURS	14	2	2	10	18	45	6
LEROS UNITED	13	3	0	10	24	55	6
MELBOURNE PUMAS	12	1	3	8	19	45	5
RESERVES	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
TOTTENHAM	12	11	1	0	42	6	23
CRETAN ATHLETIC	13	9	1	3	38	15	19
HARAMBEE	13	8	3	2	23	20	19
OAKLEIGH CITY	14	9	0	5	40	30	18
SWINBURNE	15	9	1	6	33	36	17
MIDDLE EAST	14	6	1	7	36	35	13
LEROS UNITED	14	5	2	7	31	36	12
MELBOURNE PUMAS	11	3	1	7	20	32	7
NTH X ST.HELENA	13	2	1	10	13	51	5
S.B. SPURS	15	0	1	14	15	40	1

DIVISION TWO AFTERNOON

Kbro B/D 5 Oak City B 3 (6-1)
Bayside ATA 1 N/D Sparr 3 (2-1)
Dandenong Un 5 Nth. Tim 3 (W-0)
Elwood Un 1 CSUV 0 (10-1)
Fl'ton Flor 3 Berwick U 1 (1-3)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
BAYSIDE A.T.A.	15	11	3	1	64	25	25
FL'TON FLORIDIA	14	12	0	2	51	15	24
NTH DNG SPARROWS	14	10	2	2	40	21	22
KBRO BLUE DANUBE	15	8	2	5	33	25	18
BERWICK UNITED	14	8	1	5	34	20	17
ELWOOD UNITED	14	5	3	6	26	29	13
NTHN TIMORESE	14	6	1	7	39	46	13
DANDENONG UNITED	14	3	1	10	25	53	7
C.S.U.V.	15	2	0	13	17	59	4
OAK. CITY BAYS	15	0	1	14	21	57	1
RESERVES	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
ELWOOD UNITED	14	13	1	0	133	17	27
KBRO BLUE DANUBE	13	13	0	0	77	11	26
BAYSIDE A.T.A.	15	9	3	3	47	35	21
BERWICK UNITED	14	8	3	3	[illegible]	36	19
NTHN TIMORESE	14	5	2	7	28	53	12
DANDENONG UNITED	15	3	2	8	27	67	12
NTH DNG SPARROWS	15	4	2	9	32	54	10
OAK. CITY BAYS	15	2	3	10	35	65	7
FL'TON FLORIDIA	14	3	0	11	28	63	6
C.S.U.V.	15	1	2	12	19	57	4

DIVISION THREE EAST

Dallas Un 0 Prest Tramw W
Essendon Tramw 1 Bowater 6
Garden City 1 Kew Deaf 0
Laminex W Keeley Kings 0
Westall PIPA 1 Tax. Un 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
DALLAS UNITED	15	13	0	2	68	15	26
LAMINEX	15	7	6	2	55	34	20
TAXATION UNITED	14	7	5	2	48	24	19
BOWATER	14	8	2	4	37	23	18
PRESTON TRAMWAYS	15	8	2	5	38	33	18
KEELEY KINGS	15	7	2	6	37	37	16
GARDEN CITY	15	3	5	7	21	36	11
ESSENDON TRAMWAY	14	3	3	8	37	66	9
WESTALL P.I.P.A.	14	2	2	10	25	51	6
KEW DEAF	15	1	1	13	23	70	3

DIVISION THREE WEST

Alt Nth Tarxien 13 K Park H 0
Keilor Old B P Altona Heights P
St Alb Wander 1 Ardeer 2
Sunbury 0 St A Dyn 8
Whittlesea 4 Nippondenso 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
ALT NTH TARXIEN	15	11	3	1	52	11	25
ARDEER	15	11	3	1	45	17	25
ST ALBANS DYNAMO	14	9	5	0	32	14	23
KEILOR OLD BOYS	13	6	3	4	28	27	15
ST ALB WANDERERS	12	6	1	5	31	17	13
ALTONA HEIGHTS	14	4	3	7	23	33	11
WHITTLESEA	14	5	1	8	30	50	11
K PARK HEIGHTS	15	2	2	11	19	48	6
NIPPONDENSO	14	3	0	11	23	56	6
SUNBURY	14	1	3	10	11	41	5

DIVISION FOUR

Salesian OB 0 End. United W
Sunshine M'Donia 2 Alex the G 0
Sunshine Un 5 Dingley Un 1

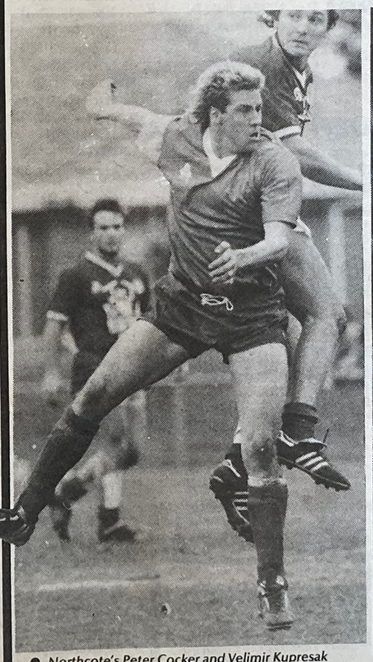
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
ELTHAM/D. VALLEY	13	10	1	2	51	15	21
SUNSHINE M'DONIA	11	8	0	3	39	14	16
EPPING THISTLE	11	7	2	2	33	17	16
ENDEAVOUR UNITED	13	7	2	4	30	24	16
ALEX THE GREAT	13	7	1	5	26	28	15
SUNSHINE UNITED	14	5	1	8	31	39	11
SALESIAN O.B.	11	3	1	7	19	28	7
EMBASSY TAXIS	11	2	1	8	16	39	5
DINGLEY UNITED	13	1	1	11	21	62	3

State League Action

● *Ringwood's Graham Haupt beats Fab Incantalupo to the ball.*

● *Tony Curulli of Bulleen climbs high to beat Ringwood's John Wall.*

ST ALBANS v NORTHCOTE C: RINGWOOD v BULLEEN



● *Northcote's Peter Cocker and Velimir Kupresak clashing in the air seem unsure where the ball has gone.*

● *St Alban's Drazen Bozic repels another Northcote attack.*

● *"That's mine," says Northcote 'keeper Mark Turudia as Jure Eres challenges.*

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ROUND TWENTY-FIVE DETAILS

ALTONA GATE 0 BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 2 (Egan 25th, 70th)
At Paisley Reserve, Sunday. Referee J. Fraser.
ALTONA GATE: Lee - Micevski, Markovski Byrne, Momirovski - Niceski, Kebakovski, Aslimovski, Ilioski - McMullen, Ristovski. Coach Bill Murray
BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS: Marrama - Marley, Coady (Glockner 75th), Della Rocca, Palleschi - Lane, Belic, Minichiello, Herd - Patterson (Klepac 70th), Egan. Coach Manfred Schaefer.
Ansett best player award: Egan (Juve) 3, Lane (Juve) 2, McMullen (Alt.) 1.

MORWELL FALCONS 3 (Manley 30th, Doyle, pen. 35th, Byrne 60th) BOX HILL 1 (Kennedy 75th)
At North Crinigan Reserve, Saturday. Referee J. Santa Isabel. Sent off McArthur (B).
MORWELL FALCONS: Reynolds - O'Donnell, Walsh, Bingham, Doyle - McBride, Byrne, Cassar (Basara 65th) - Manley, Wright, Nelson. Coach Bob McLachlan.
BOX HILL: McKinlay - Davies, Cooper, Davidson, Dimitrelis - Hanley, McArthur, McPhee, McAleer - Kennedy, McGeachey. Coach John Brown.
Ansett best player award: Manley (M) 3, O'Donnell (M) 2, Byrne (M) 1.

ST ALBANS 2 (Eres 42nd, Susnjara 65th) NORTHCOTE CITY 0
At Churchill Reserve, Saturday. Referee N. Zachariades.
ST ALBANS: Vunderl - Babic, Bozic, Kupresak, Dragovic - Dezic (Susnjara 58th), Culina, Kuzman, Pondeljak - Eres, Colina. Coach Branko Culina.
NORTHCOTE CITY: Turudia - Bekiaris, Palmaricciotti, Harris, N. Constantinou - Woodall, Patiniotis, Ramos (Tsangas 75th), Gymnopoulos - Cocker, J. Constantinou. Coach Jim Pyrgolios.
Ansett best player award: Bozic (St.A) 3, Colina (St.A) 2, Kupresak (St.A) 1.

GREEN GULLY 6 (Daley 35th, 75th, Harrison 11th, 55th, Pender, pen. 9th, Metasax 13th) FRANKSTON PINES 0
At Gully Reserve, Sunday. Referee E. Venios. Cautions McMillan, McLelland, Elsey (GG)
GREEN GULLY: Sant - Hogben (Spiteri 70th), McMillan, McLelland, Chetcuti - Metaxas, Farquharson, Pender, Elsey - Harrison, Daley (Denys 70th). Coach Willie Vassallo.
FRANKSTON PINES: Davies - Pace, Watson, Ross (Hodgson 65th), Buchanan - Ferris, Keenan (Post 65th), Gavilan, Miller - Stirton, Dick. Coach Joe Sweeney.
Ansett best player award: Pender (GG) 3, Farquharson (GG) 2, McLelland (GG) 1.

MARIBYRNONG 0 THOMASTOWN 2 (Carfora 30th, Cristaldo 33rd)
At Raleigh Reserve, Sunday. Referee B. Upjohn.
MARIBYRNONG: D'Antonio - Blicharz, Innes, Farrugia, Pichner - Baran, Fleming (inj. Przbyla 60th), Nelson, Temos - Bonk, Belegrinos (Kotzagiannidis 70th). Coach Leszik Djielkowski.
THOMASTOWN: Jankalovski - De Propertis, Athersych, Hennessy, Mihailidis - Dougherty, Di Martino, Cristaldo, Ragusa (Kapolitsas 70th) - Carfora, Griffin. Coach Roberto Vieri.
Ansett best player award: Cristaldo (T) 3, Temos (M) 2, Athersych (T) 1.

RINGWOOD CITY 0 BULLEEN 1 (Incantalupo 49th)
At Jubilee Park, Sunday. Referee R. Simonis.
RINGWOOD CITY: Blackley - Haupt, May, Verniers, Nolan - Prinsen (Walker 35th), Muir, Kennedy, Corvan - De Ridder, Wall. Coach Hans Petersen.
BULLEEN: Roccioletti - Marsan, Krajacic, Curulli, Angele - Dal Ben, Ruccia, Avian (O'Keefe HT), Livingstone - Incantalupo, Lujic. Coach Alan Gentry.
Ansett best player award: Krajacic (B) 3, Wall (R) 2, Roccioletti (B)

FAWKNER 2 (Marchett 45th, Hanna 77th) CROYDON CITY 0
At Smith Reserve, Sunday. Referee D. Rees.
FAWKNER: Terzini - Schipano, Patricca, Ferla, Cosent (Ferrer 82nd) Sabatino, O'Dell - Raynes (Campbell 76th), Hanna, Emmanuelle. Coach Cedo Cirkovic.
CROYDON CITY: M. Runje - Langsbury, Dobson, McIntosh, Brock - Brown (Field 27th), van Egmond, Roodhouse, G. Runje (Brimmer 68th) - Scott, Humble. Coach Ian Dobson.
Ansett best player award: Raynes (F) 3, Ferla (F) 2, Marchett (F) 1.

SPRINGVALE CITY 1 (AZrmstrong 30th) CAULFIELD CITY (Kontouris 6th, Greenwood 70th)
At Ross Reserve. Sunday. Referee B. Grant.
SPRINGVALE CITY: Brian - Byrne, Bissinger, Bryden, Reilly - Findlay, Fourna, Livingstone - Webster, Tuffield, Armstrong. Coach Gus Macleod.
CAULFIELD CITY: Madjer - Bitsonis, Kontouris, Fattore, Rellos - Theoharous, Filipou, Aretis, Zolotarev - Pappas, Greenwood. Coach Jim Condilis.
Ansetrt best player award: Greenwood (C) 3, Fattore (C) 2, Bitsonis (C) 1.

STATE LEAGUE LADDER

JUVENTUS	24	16	6	2	44	16	38
MORWELL F	25	14	8	3	47	20	36
CROYDON C	24	14	5	5	40	12	33
ST ALBANS	25	12	8	5	31	19	32
Northcote C	24	12	5	7	31	24	29
Altona Gate	25	10	7	8	37	29	27
Green Gully	24	11	4	9	37	26	26
Caulfield C	25	10	6	9	38	36	26
Bulleen	25	9	6	10	21	25	24
Thomastown	25	7	9	9	24	32	23
Frankston P	25	7	8	10	31	44	22
Fawkner	24	7	5	12	22	35	19
Ringwood C	25	6	7	12	19	39	19
Springvale C	25	5	7	13	18	26	17
Box Hill	24	3	9	12	18	33	15
Maribyrnong	25	2	4	19	12	54	8

RESERVES RESULTS

RINGWOOD CITY 1 BULLEEN 1
SPRINGVALE CITY 1 CAULFIELD CITY 1
ST ALBANS 3 NORTHCOTE CITY 0
ALTONA GATE 1 BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 3
MARIBYRNONG 0 THOMASTOWN 2
MORWELL FALCONS 0 BOX HILL 1
GREEN GULLY 3 FRANKSTON PINES 0
FAWKNER 1 CROYDON CITY 0

RESERVES LADDER

Juventus	24	15	7	1	63	22	37
Green Gully	23	14	5	4	64	30	33
Altona Gate	25	13	5	7	52	42	31
St Albans	24	12	5	7	43	25	29
Caulfield City	24	12	5	7	44	36	29
Morwell Falc.	25	12	3	10	43	38	27
Thomastown	23	10	4	9	29	35	24
Ringwood C	23	7	9	7	34	38	23
Bulleen	22	7	7	8	24	31	21
Springvale C	23	7	6	10	21	33	20
Box Hill	23	7	5	11	30	48	19
Fawkner	23	7	3	13	31	37	17
Northcote C	20	7	3	10	36	50	17
Frankston P	22	8	0	14	31	47	16
Croydon C	23	4	7	12	32	44	15
Maribyrnong	24	2	8	14	27	48	12

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Leading goalscorers

17. Pappas (Caul)
14. Huuble (Croy)
13. McMullen (Alt)
12. Egan (Juve)
11. Basara (MF)
10. Morovic (St.A)
9. Carfora (Thom)
Cocker (North)
Daley (GG)
Wright (MF)
8. Scott (Croy)
Hanna (Fawk)
7. Dick (FP)
Harrison (GG)
Metaxas (GG)
Stirton (FP)
Watson (FP)
Woodall (North)
6. Bonk (Mar)
Deligiannis (Caul)
Gagula (St.A)
Incantalupo (Bull)
Tortevski (Alt)
5. Georgevski (Alt)
Glockner (Juve)
Eres (St.A)
Herd (Juve)
Kupresak (St.A)
Lane (Juve)
Webster (S'vale)
4. Byrne (MF)
Cristaldo (Thom)
Dobson (Croy)
Emmanuelle (Fawk)
Kennedy (BH)
McBride (MF)
McIntosh (Croy)
Manley (MF)
Raynes (Fawk)
van Egmond (Croy)
3. Armstrong (S'vale)
Athersych (Thom)
Bozikas (Bull)
Brimmer (Croy)
Campbell (Fawk)
Corvan (Ring)
Davie (Ring)
De Amicis (Juve)
Doyle (MF)
Drakeford (Caul)
Harris (North)
Keenan (S'vale)
Klepac (Juve)
McAleer (BH)
McLelland (GG)
Maguire (Ring)
Nelson (Mar)
Pender (GG)
Ross (FP)
Sokoluk (MF)
Theoharous (Caul)
Todorovski (Alt)
Tsangas (North)
Wall (Ring)
Warszawski (MF)
2. Aretis (Caul)
Avian (Bull)
Bitsonis (Caul)
Bryden (S'vale)
Dougherty (Thom)
Egan (BH)
Farquharson (G.G)
Filipou (Caul)
Findlay (S'Vale)
Giaccherini (Juve)
Higgins (Thom)
Ilioski (Alt)
Keenan (FP)
Koureemenos (North)
Lujic (Bull)
McArthur (BH)
McGeachey (BH)
McGrellis (Juve)
McMillan (GG)
Marchett (Fawk)
Markovski (Alt)
Muir (Ring)
Nelson (MF)
O'Keefe (Bull)
Patiniotis (North)
Patterson (Juve)
Pondeljak (St.A)
Ramos (North)
Roodhouse (Croy)
Runje.G (Croy)
Sabatino (Fawk)
Trogrlic (Bull)
1. Aslimovski (Alt)
Baran (Mar)
Belegrinos (Mar)
Belic (Juve)
Binghan (MF)
Bothwell (FP)
Bruns (MF)
Burgess (North)
Burlak (North)

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28. Kupresak (St.A)
25. Lane (Juve)
Pender (GG)
23. van Egmond (Croy)
Corvan (Ring)
22. Byrne (MF)
21. Harris (North)
20. Drakeford (Caul)
19. Cooper (BH)
Dick (FP)
18. Bozic (St.A)
Krajacic (Bull)
McMullen (Alt)
Webster (S'vale)
17. Herd (Juve)
16. McIntosh (Croy)
Maguire (Ring)
15. Lujic (Bull)
Minichiello (Juve)
14. Brian (S'vale)
Watson (FP)
Woodall (North)
13. Athersych (Thom)
Brown (Croy)
Humble (Croy)
12. Byrne (Alt)
Fattore (Caul)
11. Blackley (Ring)
McLelland (GG)
10. Bonk (Mar)
Haupt (Ring)
Manley (MF)
Terzini (Fawk)
9. Bryden (S'vale)
Culina (St.A)
Czapnik (Mar)
McArthur (BH)
Nelson (Mar)
O'Dell (Fawk)
O'Donnell (Fawk)
8. Bitsonis (Caul)
Constantinou.J (North)
Gagula (St.A)
Ilioski (Alt)
Marsan (Bull)
Morovic (St.A)
Nelson (MF)
Sant (GG)
Sokoluk (Caul)
Theoharous (Caul)
Tortevski (Alt)
7. Basara (MF)
Belic (Juve)
Carfora (Thom)
Davies (FP)
Dobson (Croy)
Gymnopoulos (North)
Koureemenos (North)
McBride (MF)
McKinlay (BH)
Miller (FP)
Pappas (Caul)
Ristovski (Alt)
Roodhouse (Croy)
6. Cassar (MF)
Cocker (North)
Daley (GG)
Dougherty (Thom)
Harrison (GG)
Kebakovski (Alt)
Patiniotis (North)
Raynes (Fawk)
Simovic (St.A)
Trogrlic (Bull)
Wall (Ring)
5. Aslimovski (Alt)
Bingham (MF)
Bissinger (S'vale)
Burgess (North)
Colina (St.A)
D'Antonio (Mar)
Higgins (Thom)
McMillan (GG)
May (Ring)
Patterson (Juve)
Ragusa (Thom)
Runje.G (Croy)
Schipano (Fawk)
Todorovski (Alt)
4. Adams (S'vale)
Babic (St.A)
Brimmer (Croy)
Campbell (Fawk)
Contini (Bull)
Cosentino (Fawk)
Cristaldo (Thom)
Davidson (BH)
De Amicis (Juve)
Greenwood (Caul)
Incantalupo (Bull)
Jankolovski (Thom)
Palmaricciotti (North)
Patricca (Fawk)
Ramos (North)
Reynolds (MF)
Roccioletti (Bull)
Ross (FP)
Sabatino (Fawk)
Scott (Croy)
Turudia (North)
Wilson (GG)

CROYDON STUMBLES

● Schaefer off to Apia

State League Preview by Brian James

FAWKNER dealt Croydon City's championship aspirations a body blow that might prove fatal when it won their game at Smith Reserve 2-0 last Sunday.

With only five rounds left to play, Croydon cannot afford to drop another proint, and it must also win its crucial postponed game against Juventus on Wednesday night if it is to win the title.

In terms of overtaking front-runner Brunswick Juventus Croydon cannot derive much comfort from its goal difference either.

The seemingly impregnable defence has sprung the odd leak just lately and Croydon now has the same goal difference as Juventus, but Juve has scored four more goals.

Meanwhile Morwell Falcons continues to do the right thing, it won again on Sunday, though not without the odd qualm and it will just have to go on winning and hope that Juve slips up.

Leaving out the postponed game, the remaining fixtures as far as the top three go, seem to favour Falcons.

Falcons have managed to negotiate the hardest part of their programme comparatively unscathed.

They have three home games and two away games left to play, and they don't meet any of the other top four teams.

On paper, their main danger would seem to be Green Gully, which travels to the Valley on September 2.

Three of their other opponents are in the bottom six and Thomastown just above that line.

Falcons fixtures after this week.
Green Gully (H), Maribyrnong (A), Frankston Pines (H), Ringwood City (H).

Croydon looks to have a stiffer task, although it has two games at home and two away.

Its only opponent in the bottom six is Frankston Pines, and it meets a tough opponent in St Albans away from home.

Croydon's fixtures after this weekend.
St Albans (A), Northcote City (H), Caulfield City (A), Frankston Pines (H).

Juventus' run home after this week looks reasonable, with two home and two away games.

Juventus' fixtures after this weekend.
Springvale City (A), St Albans (H), Northcote City (A), Caulfield City (H).

St Albans, meeting both Croydon and Juventus, couldhold the key to the championship.

Manfred Schaefer dropped a bombshell this week when he announced he would be returning to Sydney to coach APIA leichhardt where he will replace Michael Urukalo.

APIA apparently made Schaefer an offer of a three-year contract that he woul dhave been foolish to refuse.

However he also quotes personal reasons for wanting to return to the city where all his family lives.

Schaefer was recruited in May last year in a desperate bid to save the Black and Whites.

The team had won only one of its fifteen games and trailed the rest of the League by four points.

Schaefer drove the players hard, put some steel into their game and they won six of their last eleven games, but it wasn't enough and the club was relegated.

But he stayed on, and now, barring a cataclysmic collapse Juve looks poised to win back the status it lost.

So Schaefer isn't abandoning ship, he will stay on until the end of the season he says and will appoint someone as his deputy at APIA to sort out the wheat from the chaff there before the new NSL season starts on November 5.

"I promised Domenic Tenuta (Juve president) I would see them right and I have: he says.

"We are well on course for the title, and by coming out in the open at this stage I'm giving the club a chance to look round for a replacement.

The weekend fixtures, probable winners in capitals.

SATURDAY: Thomastown v **MORWELL FALCONS** at Partridte Reserve, Bulleen v Altona Gate (draw) at Veneto Club, Caulfield City v **ST ALBANS** at Princes Park.
SUNDAY: **CROYDON CITY** v Springvale City at Croydon Park, **BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS** v Fawkner at Olympic Park, Box Hill v **RINGWOOD CITY** at Wembley Park, **GREEN GULLY** v Ringwood City at Gully Reserve, Frankston Pines v **NORTHCOTE CITY** at Monterey Park.

● *Manfred Schaefer, job nearly done, now he is off to Apia.*

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Les Simcock
EDITOR - SOCCER STAR

THE following Lalor United players will receive hat-trick diplomas:
U/11 Steven Natckovski 3 goals v Heidelberg Utd; U/11 Chris Dimitrovski 3 goals v Altona East; U/11 Chris Dimitrovski 4 goals v Yarraville.

U/12 Dragi Nastevski 4 goals v Springvale City; U/12 Dragi Nastevski 3 goals v Keon Park; U/12 Dragi Nastevski 4 goals v Eltham; U/12 Dragi Nastevski 4 goals v Port Melbourne; U/12 Dragi Nastevski 4 goals v Greensborough.

U/14 Nick Lazarevski 4 goals v Berwick; U/14 Nik Lazarevski 6 goals v North Geelong; U/14 Nik Lazarevski 3 goals v East Bentleigh; U/14 Stevo Filipovski 5 goals v Bell Park; U/14 Sladan Rajic 3 goals v Thomastown.

TWO Bundoora Club players have also qualified for diplomas: U/15 Tony Gosip 3 goals v Meadow Park on 23/4/89.
U/12 Zlatko Donev 3 goals v Northcote City on 6/8/89.

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VICTORIAN LEAGUE 1

FIRSTS

Oak'l'n	2	V	S'han 2
M.Subs	0	V	E'don 1
Nord	0	V	W'gte 5
W'hart	3	V	D'nong 1
Dove'n	0	V	Knox 0
R'mond	2	V	N'sad 1
W'bee	0	V	Albion 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
W'hart	19	12	5	2	33	11	29
Albion	20	10	8	2	25	11	28
S'han	21	9	6	6	36	24	24
Knox	19	10	3	6	30	25	23
Oak'l'n	18	6	8	4	23	16	20
E'don	21	7	6	8	19	25	20
W'bee	20	7	5	8	19	24	19
M.Subs	20	6	7	7	16	22	19
Dove'n	21	8	3	10	26	38	19
W'gte	18	7	4	7	22	18	18
N'sad	21	6	6	9	22	26	18
Nord	19	5	8	6	22	27	18
R'mond	17	6	3	8	26	25	15
D'nong	20	1	2	17	17	44	4

RESERVES

Oak'l'n	2	V	S'han 0
M.Subs	2	V	E'don 3
Nord	1	V	W'gte 2
W'hart	1	V	D'nong 0
Dove'n	2	V	Knox 1
R'mond	2	V	N'sad 2
W'bee	0	V	Albion 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Albion	19	14	1	4	38	21	29
W'hart	20	12	3	5	42	23	27
Dove'n	19	10	6	3	30	18	26
N'sad	19	11	3	5	41	25	25
Knox	15	8	4	3	43	17	20
R'mond	18	7	5	6	31	27	19
M.Subs	19	8	1	10	20	40	17
Oak'l'n	18	4	8	6	29	25	16
S'han	19	5	5	9	40	40	15
E'don	19	7	1	11	24	30	15
D'nong	20	5	3	12	19	28	13
Nord	19	5	3	11	34	42	13
W'gte	16	6	0	10	24	43	12
W'bee	18	5	1	12	21	37	11

LEAGUE 2

FIRSTS

V'ville	1	V	R'mond 2
W'bary	0	V	Keilor 0
Bon Bv	1	V	Wav.C 3
R'mond	0	V	Geel 4
M.Geel	0	V	B'ton 1
Coburg	0	V	Pt.Mel 2
S'bury	1	V	C'ton H 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
M.Geel	20	12	3	5	39	20	27
Keilor	21	11	5	5	32	19	27
Pt.Mel	20	12	3	5	36	24	27
B'ton	20	10	5	5	29	22	25
Geel	21	10	5	6	34	30	25
R'mond	19	9	6	4	31	26	24
Wav.C	21	10	3	8	42	28	23
R'mond	20	10	2	8	34	34	22
Coburg	19	7	6	6	32	27	20
C'ton H	20	8	4	8	25	27	20
Bon Bv	21	4	6	11	14	27	14
S'bury	20	4	5	11	20	34	13
W'berg	20	4	3	13	25	41	11
V'ville	20	1	2	17	11	45	4

RESERVES

V'ville	4	V	R'mond 2
W'bary	2	V	Keilor 3
Bon Bv	1	V	Wav.C 2
R'mond	0	V	Geel 1
M.Geel	3	V	B'ton 0
Coburg	0	V	Pt.Mel 2
S'bury	0	V	C'ton H 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
B'ton	18	15	1	2	41	14	31
C'ton H	17	12	2	3	44	19	26
Keilor	16	12	2	2	36	20	26
M.Geel	19	11	1	7	51	35	23
Pt.Mel	18	10	1	7	39	22	21
Wav.C	18	9	0	9	40	29	18
Geel	17	8	2	7	39	32	18
Bon Bv	18	8	1	9	43	33	17
R'mond	19	7	3	9	39	47	17
R'mond	17	7	0	10	42	46	14
W'berg	18	4	4	10	29	42	12
S'bury	21	4	3	14	29	46	11
V'ville	18	5	0	13	25	78	10
Coburg	16	2	2	12	15	49	6

LEAGUE 3

FIRSTS

M'ton	1	V	Elt/D.V 0
Altona	6	V	Holl Pk 1
C'inda	2	V	S'vale 1
C/Geel	0	V	C'sea 2
S'ford	2	V	Bell Pk 0
H'thon	1	V	M'bin 1
Lalor	0	V	Y'ourn 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Bell Pk	21	15	2	4	52	16	32
C'sea	21	12	5	4	40	24	29
C/geel	21	10	6	5	31	20	26
S'ford	21	10	4	7	43	22	24
Elt/d.V	21	9	6	6	29	24	24
C'inda	21	9	6	6	34	31	24
M'ton	21	9	6	6	25	23	24
M'bin	21	7	6	8	26	30	20
Holl Pk	21	9	1	11	36	38	19
Lalor	20	8	3	9	23	36	19
S'vale	21	3	8	10	20	35	14
H'thon	20	4	5	11	25	35	13
Y'ourn	21	4	5	12	17	43	13
Altona	21	4	3	14	30	54	11

RESERVES

M'ton	0	V	Elt/D.V 2
Altona	1	V	Holl Pk 1
C'inda	3	V	S'vale 1
C/Geel	1	V	C'sea 2
S'ford	2	V	Bell Pk 1
H'thorn	2	V	M'bin 2
Lalor	2	V	Y'ourn 1
Elt/d.V	17	14	1	2	48	17	29
M'bin	19	12	4	3	58	20	28
S'ford	21	12	2	7	51	25	26
C'inda	20	12	2	6	51	41	26
Bell Pk	20	10	4	6	37	30	24
C'sea	19	10	1	8	40	35	21
S'vale	19	9	3	7	41	37	21
Lalor	20	6	7	7	33	35	19
Altona	21	7	5	9	34	38	19
Holl Pk	18	6	3	9	32	46	15
H'thorn	19	5	5	9	24	38	15
M'ton	21	6	2	13	25	43	14
C/geel	18	5	1	12	31	40	11
Y'ourn	20	1	2	17	13	73	4

LEAGUE 4

FIRSTS

K'ingal	3	V	M'town 0
More.Pk	1	V	Keysbro 0
P'vale	3	V	Boronia 0
Cl'ton	1	V	Regent 0
FTGully	0	V	Bent 2
R'anna	2	V	L'warr 2
Hamlyn	0	V	Brun/iv 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Cl'ton	21	15	4	2	62	26	34
Bent	21	13	7	1	51	21	33
Brun/iv	21	12	6	3	32	14	30
Hamlyn	20	11	4	5	45	27	26
K'ingal	21	9	4	8	31	24	22
L'warr	20	8	6	6	31	24	22
Regent	21	8	4	9	25	23	20
More.Pk	21	7	4	10	30	40	18
P'vale	21	6	6	9	19	31	18
FTgully	21	5	5	11	22	36	15
R'anna	19	5	5	9	24	42	15
Boronia	19	4	5	10	17	36	13
Keysbro	21	3	5	13	19	38	11
M'town	21	2	7	12	23	49	11

RESERVES

K'ingal	6	V	M'town 2
More.Pk	2	V	Keysbro 0
P'vale	3	V	Regent 0
Cl'ton	1	V	Boronia 0
FTGully	3	V	Bent 2
R'anna	1	V	L'warr 6
Hamlyn		V	Brun/iv

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Cl'ton	20	13	3	4	31	20	29
L'warr	20	10	7	3	43	23	27
Brun/iv	20	10	6	4	41	22	26
Bent	20	8	6	6	45	38	22
K'ingal	19	9	3	7	35	23	21
Ftgully	20	9	3	8	34	28	21
More.Pk	19	7	6	6	30	27	20
Regent	19	5	7	7	28	34	17
Keysbro	21	7	3	11	30	43	17
R'anna	19	6	4	9	28	40	16
Hamlyn	17	7	1	9	30	29	15
M'town	21	6	3	12	29	47	15
Boronia	17	5	3	9	19	26	13
P'vale	18	5	1	12	20	43	11

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE 1

FIRSTS

W Vale	1	V	B'wick 1
Wav'ly	0	V	N.Sun 0
S Yarra	1	V	E Geel 1
Berwick	2	V	Malvern 3
Prahran	1	V	S'vale 2
Melton	2	V	W Mead 2
Mossf'	2	V	Oak.Sub 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
S'vale	20	16	3	1	46	17	35
Prahran	21	10	8	3	48	35	28
Berwick	20	12	1	7	46	31	25
Oak.Sub	19	10	4	5	38	29	24
N.Sun	19	10	3	6	47	29	23
W Mead	19	10	2	7	34	27	22
W Vale	20	8	6	6	28	22	22
Mossf'	21	8	5	8	32	30	21
Malvern	19	7	5	7	30	33	19
Melton	21	5	6	10	31	41	16
B'wick	19	4	6	9	23	37	14
Wav'ly	20	4	3	13	22	43	11
E Geel	19	4	3	12	23	45	11
S Yarra	21	2	3	16	18	47	7

RESERVES

W Vale	0	V	B'wick 0
Wav'ly	2	V	N.Sun 0
S Yarra	7	V	E Geel 2
Berwick	2	V	Malvern 2
Prahran	1	V	S'vale 0
Melton	2	V	W Mead 1
Mossf'	2	V	Oak.Sub 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Prahran	21	15	2	4	56	20	32
Malvern	18	11	3	4	45	33	25
N.Sun	17	10	3	4	41	22	23
S'vale	16	10	2	4	26	17	22
Melton	21	8	5	8	30	26	21
W Mead	17	9	3	5	35	42	21
W Vale	18	6	5	7	24	23	17
Mossf'	19	5	6	8	37	40	16
S Yarra	19	5	5	9	44	39	15
B'wick	17	5	5	7	24	31	15
Berwick	19	4	7	8	25	36	15
Wav'ly	19	6	2	11	25	48	14
Oak.Sub	18	4	4	10	20	36	12
E Geel	19	3	4	12	30	49	10

LEAGUE 2

FIRSTS

Port Un	2	V	Br'tons 2
S S'val	5	V	Glenroy 0
Ball't	3	V	F.Hill 5
Uni Melb	1	V	Cranb'n 2
H'kston	3	V	Monash 1
Ascot	3	V	Altona Eas 1
Lalor	2	V	S Dandy 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
F.Hill	21	13	6	2	54	23	32
S S'val	21	12	7	2	45	19	31
Altona	21	14	3	4	42	26	31
Cranb'n	21	11	6	4	40	22	28
S Dandy	20	12	3	5	48	30	27
Br'tons	20	9	6	5	36	23	24
Ascot	20	9	6	5	36	24	24
Uni Mel	21	6	7	8	26	31	19
Port Un	21	5	5	11	28	48	15
Ball't	21	5	4	12	26	45	14
Lalor	20	2	8	10	23	37	12
H'kston	21	2	8	11	17	36	12
Glenroy	21	4	4	13	25	51	12
Monash	21	2	4	15	13	46	8

RESERVES

Port Un	1	V	Br'tons 4
S S'vale	2	V	Glenroy 2
Ball't	2	V	F.Hill 1
Uni Melb	3	V	Cranb'n 1
H'kston	3	V	Monash 1
Ascot	3	V	Altona Eas 1
Lalor	2	V	S Dandy 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Uni Mel	21	15	3	3	53	20	33
Ascot	20	12	3	5	56	26	27
Altona	20	9	8	3	36	26	26
Ball't	21	9	5	7	34	21	23
F.Hill	20	9	5	6	44	33	23
S Dandy	19	9	4	6	38	32	22
H'kston	21	10	2	9	35	40	22
Lalor	19	6	7	6	42	37	19
Cranb'n	21	5	9	7	30	37	19
Glenroy	20	7	4	9	40	47	18
S S'val	20	5	5	10	24	36	15
Br'tons	20	6	2	12	27	44	14
Monash	21	3	5	13	18	44	11
Port Un	17	2	4	11	24	58	8

LEAGUE 3

FIRSTS

Altona	1	V	Lyndale 1
Fitzroy	2	V	Carrum 0
Bataan	2	V	R'dale 3
M'tirna	1	V	Ringw'd 2
Mitcham	1	V	Monbulk 2
Brandon	2	V	Med.Pk. 1
Nth Clayto	1	V	Kew 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Fitzroy	21	13	6	2	39	22	32
Brandon	21	13	4	4	41	22	30
Lyndale	20	12	5	3	45	24	29
Kew	21	10	8	3	33	22	28
M'tirna	21	7	7	7	44	31	21
Med.Pk.	18	8	5	5	29	25	21
Ringw'd	20	5	9	6	30	30	19
Altona	20	6	7	7	19	23	19
Mitcham	20	8	3	9	37	44	19
Monbulk	20	6	6	8	31	21	18
Carrum	19	3	8	8	23	30	14
Bataan	19	2	9	8	28	34	13
R'dale	19	3	5	11	27	52	11
Nth Cla	21	1	4	16	19	65	6

RESERVES

Altona	2	V	Lyndale 0
Fitzroy	5	V	Carrum 0
Bataan	2	V	R'dale 3
M'tirna	0	V	Ringw'd 1
Mitcham	2	V	Monbulk 3
Brandon	0	V	Med.Pk. 3
N.Clayton	1	V	Kew 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Monbulk	20	13	4	3	53	26	30
Lyndale	19	13	1	5	65	34	27
Kew	21	11	5	5	49	31	27
R'dale	20	11	3	6	47	34	25
Bataan	18	11	2	5	52	36	24
M'tirna	18	11	2	5	47	32	24
Brandon	20	9	5	6	44	25	23
Altona	20	8	2	10	38	47	18
Med.Pk.	16	7	1	8	42	40	15
Mitcham	18	5	3	10	30	40	13
Carrum	19	5	3	11	45	66	13
Ringw'd	18	5	0	13	23	45	10
Fitzroy	17	4	1	12	30	61	9
N.Clayt	18	2	0	16	17	65	4

AMATEUR LEAGUE 1

FIRSTS

Bye		V	Diggers
North U	0	V	Balwyn 4
Phillip	4	V	L'robe 4
H'thorn	4	V	Oak U 1
Coll'wd		V	Keilor
Wav.Wand	1	V	E Rich 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
E Rich	18	15	2	1	63	22	32
H'thorn	19	13	5	1	58	26	31
Balwyn	16	9	4	3	53	29	22
Oak U	19	7	8	4	40	40	22
Wav.Wan	18	9	3	6	43	37	21
Diggers	17	6	4	7	34	31	16
Phillip	16	4	6	6	28	41	14
Coll'wd	18	4	4	10	23	36	12
North U	18	4	3	11	20	42	11
L'robe	18	0	7	11	30	57	7
Keilor	17	2	2	13	20	51	6
Bye	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

RESERVES

Bye		V	Diggers
North U	1	V	Balwyn 4
Phillip		V	L'robe U
H'thon		V	Oak U
Coll'wd		V	Keilor
Wav.Wand	1	V	E Rich 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Balwyn	16	13	1	2	57	21	27
Coll'wd	15	12	1	2	57	24	25
Wav.Wan	18	11	2	5	40	26	24
E Rich	18	9	4	5	62	48	22
Phillip	15	6	5	4	31	24	17
Diggers	17	5	4	8	41	47	14
L'robe	17	7	0	10	42	51	14
North U	17	4	5	8	22	41	13
Oak U	15	4	3	8	35	41	11
H'thon	17	1	7	9	22	41	9
Keilor	17	2	2	13	27	72	6
Bye	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

LEAGUE 2

FIRSTS

Furlan	2	V	I'city 0
E.Hills	0	V	Mel.Uni 7
D.Valley	1	V	Yarra U 6
C'well G	12	V	C'corde 0
R.M.I.T.	2	V	Maccabi 2
Upfield	0	V	O Scots 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Yarra U	21	16	1	4	85	36	33
O Scots	20	14	4	2	70	25	32
Mel.Uni	19	15	1	3	68	19	31
C'well	20	14	1	5	89	39	29
Upfield	20	10	4	6	68	34	24
Furlan	20	8	4	8	43	45	20
D.Valle	19	5	8	6	33	35	18
Maccabi	19	5	4	10	48	54	14
R.M.I.T	20	4	5	11	44	61	13
E.Hills	20	5	3	12	40	59	13
I'city	21	5	2	14	22	49	12
C'corde	21	0	1	20	17	171	1

RESERVES

Furlan	1	V	I'city 2
E.Hills	1	V	Mel.Uni 1
D.Valley	0	V	Yarra U 1
C'well G		V	C'corde
R.M.I.T.	4	V	Maccabi 0
Upfield	1	V	O Scots 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
E.Hills	20	11	7	2	45	24	29
O Scots	18	12	4	2	50	19	28
C'well	18	11	5	2	38	18	27
Furlan	20	10	2	8	67	35	22
Mel.Uni	19	8	6	5	47	29	22
Upfield	18	8	3	7	36	34	19
Yarra U	13	8	2	3	44	26	18
D.Valle	18	5	3	10	29	34	13
Maccabi	20	4	0	16	33	71	8
R.M.I.T	17	3	0	14	22	59	6
C'corde	14	0	0	14	4	88	0

UNDER 11

CENTRAL

E.Rich		V	BYE
E.Bent	1	V	MORDI 4
C.FIELD	5	V	MEL CTY 2
MORDI B	0	V	CLAYTON 9
O.LEIGH SU	3	V	ELWOOD 0
CONDORS	0	V	B.MARIS 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
B.maris	15	13	1	1	99	13	27
Clayton	15	10	3	2	84	20	23
Mordi	14	9	3	2	60	17	21
E.rich	14	8	4	2	52	10	20
C.field	14	8	3	3	30	18	19
Mel Cty	14	6	2	6	60	33	14
Condors	15	6	2	7	44	35	14
Elwood	15	3	2	10	34	74	8
E.bent	14	3	0	11	19	69	6
O.leigh	14	2	0	12	8	95	4
Mordi B	14	1	0	13	12	118	2

EASTERN A

Donc.R	12	V	Cla'nda 0
W'ley.Cty	0	V	S'valeA 21
F. HILL	0	V	Cr'don.C 3
B.HILL	1	V	Mitcham 4
W'ley.U	1	V	Knox.A 0
Nuna.C	0	V	Bulleen 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
S'valea	16	15	0	1	135	10	30
Cr'don.	15	11	2	2	77	17	24
Knox.A	15	11	1	3	90	13	23
W'ley.U	16	11	1	4	66	20	23
F. Hill	16	8	2	6	44	26	18
Donc.R	16	8	2	6	44	52	18
Bulleen	16	8	1	7	51	27	17
Mitchan	15	6	2	7	43	37	14
W'ley.C	16	4	1	11	20	92	9
Nuna.C	15	2	1	12	21	98	5
Cla'nda	16	2	1	13	8	98	5
B.HILL	16	1	0	15	8	117	2

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H.TON PK	0	V	KNOX CTY B 3
G/W.LEY	9	V	BORONIA 0

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M.bark	15	13	1	1	71	4	27
H.ton P	15	11	0	4	54	19	22
Knox Ct	15	8	3	4	43	15	19
Eltham	15	8	1	6	31	21	17
Oakleig	15	6	4	5	37	23	16
S.vale	15	7	2	6	43	43	16
B.don P	14	3	4	7	17	33	10
Boronia	16	3	4	9	13	56	10
S.brook	15	3	1	11	14	50	7
Knox Ct	15	2	2	11	17	65	6
Bri.ton	16	2	0	14	7	87	4

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BYE		V	PRESTON A
MALVERN	6	V	H,BERG UTD 3
FAWKNER	5	V	MEL.CROATI 0
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N,COLL UTD	2	V	T,TOWN 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
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B.U.Juv	15	10	5	0	43	7	25
Fawkner	13	11	2	0	52	1	24
Lalor U	12	7	4	1	32	12	18
Mel.cro	14	4	4	6	38	33	12
Malvern	13	5	2	6	23	29	12
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Lalor	14	2	2	9	6	50	7
Preston	11	2	2	7	12	21	6
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NTH/WEST A

REGENT		V	ESS,DON
WEST SUBS	2	V	MED,PARK 1
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SYD,PARK	19	V	H,BERG B 0
PRESTON	3	V	E/BUNS/IHO 0
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Nth,res	13	12	1	0	106	4	25
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G,GULLY	0	V	KEON PARK 4
LALOR UTD		V	M,COTE CTY
PRESTON B		V	R,ANNA
MACCABI	8	V	Y,VILLE B 1
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HOW YOUR TEAM FARED

STATE LEAGUE

MORWELL FALCONS 3 — BOX HILL 1

A SAVED penalty, a penalty converted and another couple of goals put Morwell Falcons ahead of Box Hill 3-1.

In a game that saw a lot of action from both sides and yet was really not a good game for spectators overall, Morwell Falcons 'keeper Dave Reynolds excelled once again and prevented a penalty from entering the net. At the 27th minute, Stuart McArthur was on a straight line through the middle of the ground and was stopped in his tracks by Jimmy McBride just inside the penalty box.

The large contingent of Box Hill supporters went wild with excitement as referee John Santa Isabel pointed to the spot.

Newcomer Archie McGeachy, who has managed a score in the previous two games for the Hillmen lined up for the spot kick and let fly to the bottom left corner but, some how, Reynolds had decided that was where the ball was going, and stretched out to save the shot and sent the ball back into play for McGeachy to have another try but he sent it wide of the upright.

This really injected confidence into the Falcons squad and they poured on the pressure. At the 38th minute, Billy Wright pressured Davidson and forced a corner that was floated close to the near post by Jeff Doyle for Ron Manley to get up high and head backwards into the net for the first goal. Only five minutes later Wright was again pressuring inside the penalty box and a one-on-one duel with Paul Cooper saw the ball handled by Cooper for the referee to whistle and point to the spot.

Jeff Doyle lined up and slammed it past Hillmens' 'keeper John McKinlay for the second goal. After the break and full of running, Box Hill was unlucky when McArthur headed in close but the ball rebounded off the bottom ede of the cross bar and into the safe hands of Reynolds.

After only another four minutes, Doyle sent in a nice high corner that was flicked on by Jimmy Nelson and brilliantly backheeled into the net by Sean Byrne for Falcons' third goal.

Box Hill was down but far from being out. Time after time they broke though the midfield and sent the ball into the scoring area but Falcons defence especially Harry Bingham and Sean Byrne repelled attack after attack.

Stuart McArthur, who had earlier been shown the yellow card, continued to be very aggressive and brought Wright to the deck for Mr Santa Isabel to wave the red card and send him for an early shower.

Box Hill's tenacity paid off with only 12 minutes to go when McGeachy sent the ball through an unguarded area in front of Falcons' goal for Tom Kennedy to side foot past Reynolds for theHillmens' only score.

A valiant effort from the visitors with only 10 men.

— *E.H.*

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GREEN GULLY 6 FRANKSTON PINES 0

PINES balloon burst in a whirlwind start by Gully when, in the 9th minute, when a penalty for handball was awarded to the home team. Pender converted.

Gully went two up 2 minutes later when Elsey crossed from the right to find Harrison in the box who netted.

The rot had certainly set in at the 13th minute when Elsey again attacked the Pines' defence to centre the ball to the head of the incoming John Metaxas. With a lead of three goals in 13 minutes, the game finally settled down to a more even contest and a fine save from Gully keeper sank stopped Pines from pulling one back. Gully again attacked and again was rewarded when a shot at goal by Daly was deflected home to make the half-time score line Gully 4 Pines 0.

Pines' coach Sweeney was absolutely speechless during the interval and tried to store up the side, which had been playing so well over the past 10 weeks.

The second half started with players of both sides more intent on playing the man rather than the ball the result being three Gully and one Pines players receiving yellow cards. Gully kept the pressure on the Pines' defence and extended the lead when a cross again from the right found the head of Harrison to score his second for the day and giving Gully a 5-0 lead.

Sweeney tried to stop the rot by making a double substitution replacing, Post for Keenan and Hodgson for Ross, but this made no difference when a mix up between keeper. Davies and Buchanan allowed Daly to steal the ball from both rounding Davies to slot his second goal into the unguarded Pines' net.

Without regular defenders Wier, Kipscombe and McDonagh, Frankston was no match for the rampaging Green Gully, who well deserved the result.

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RINGWOOD CITY 0 BULLEEN 1

CONTRARY to the previous two weeks, spectators were poorly treated at Jubilee Park on Sunday when Ringwood City never reproduced its sparkling form. And with Bulleen also struggling for form it was not even worth watching or reporting.

This continued until 10 minutes into the second half when the Ringwood defence collased and Incantalupo easily scored Bulleen's, and the game's only goal 0-1.

Ringwood woke up but it was much too late, Bulleen shut the door and whatever City tried was met by a staunch defence and — once again — failure to score. The only man making some impression for Ringwood was very hard working John Wall.

— *H.L.*

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FAWKNER 2 CROYDON 0

CROYDON'S championship ambitions were dashed at Fawkner's Jukes Road ground on Sunday when a lively Fawkner outplayed a lethargic, uncharasteristic Croydon effort.

Apart from a bright opening when, right from the kick-off, Croydon's player-coach Ian Dobson had a shot deflected from a free kick headed down by Darren Scott, and a spell in the second half Croydon never came to grips with a hard-tackling Fawkner team.

After keeping Croydon's forwards at bay for most of the first half, Fawkner broke clear and Marchett easily scored from almost the last kick of the half.

Fawkner's goal posts do not have net supports at the top of the upright and, consequently, the nets become vertical at the top when pegged to the ground.

After a period of fine play by Croydon Darren Scott headed high into goal from close in and the ball either hit the bar, net and bar or net and came to earth, where the referee ruled it had not crossed the line and the ball was cleared by a grateful Fawkner defense.

After this set back Croydon's play became ragged with ineffective high ball, going nowhere in particular and it was no surprise when George Hanna caught Croydon's goalie Runje on the wrong foot and scored a good goal for Fawkner.

Fawkner nearly made it three when a misdirected goal clearance was latched onto by Fawkner's Campbell, who shot just over the bar.

Despite the net incident, the better team on the day left the ground justifiably satisfied.

— *J.H.*

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GEELONG SOCCER

SATURDAY was a black day for Geelong's leading teams with only one winner among the seven teams involved in promotion and relegation battles.

North Geelong went down to Brighton in Division Two by the only goal of the game at Elcho Park. Jim Tansey may be metres slower than in his national league days but his experience shone like a beacon in this match, while Brighton's young keeper was another star.

North had little drive from midfield, though Paul Masterton triedhis hardest and the only ray of hope for North was the successful return of Ivan Smoljko as a secondhalf subsbitute.

Geelong was the big winner, trouncing Richmond 4-0. Two goals of pure brilliance by Liam McCloskey who was doubtful before the match with fluid on his knee, one by Darrn Tuck and a Donny Smyth penalty gave Geelong its convincing victory.

In Division Three, Bell Park held a lively Seaford team to no score at the interval, defending well in face of a very strong wind. Then Park committed suicide four minutes into the second half as a goalkic was delivered direct to Ray Bryden's feet 20 metres out and he took the ball through to give Gary Walker no chance.

Four minutes later Sam McNeilage's free kick was straight to Reffi Gugayasan who quickly fired it forward. Ray Bryden was away again and drew th ekeeper, with Darren Lee getting the final touch.

Andy McKenna was outstanding at the back for Seaford, showing everyone the meaning of commitment and still getting forward to hammer a volley off the cross-bar. Park was bereft of ideas in the second half, with only one combined move of note.

The story was similar at Hume Reserve, where Corio-Geelong United suffered a two-nil defeat by Chelsea. A dipping shot early in the second half left Laurie Cicero helpless, while the second goal seemed richochet off two or three players before finding its way to the net.

Corio-Geelong United mounted few quality attacks and hence lost its chance of gaining second spot on the ladder.

Hamlyn Rangers was another to lose by the only goal, this time against East Brunswick/Ivanhoe at Myers Reserve in Division Four. As usual Rangers created openings, but the conversion rate was zero.

In the Provisional Leagues, both matches were drawn. Fast Geelong held South Yarra to 1-1 with Done Laovski scoring the gorl, and Brintons drew 2-2 at Port United. Brintons was 2-0 down at one point, but Ashley McIntyre scored with a penalty after Tony Reed was brought down and Paul Mills got the second again after good work by the fast-moving Reed.

— *Roy Hay*

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DIVISION THREE

MORNINGTON 1 (Golby 60m) ELTHAM DIAMOND VALLEY 0

VALLEY'S chance of gaining second spot on the ladder all but vanished when it went down by the only goal of the game at Mornington.

The day had began badly with the late arrival of two key players which forced Alan Kerr into a late re-shuffle of his team.

A strong cross wind made it difficult for both sides, but the home team settled best and were first to attack. Golby and Gregory caused the Valley defence problems from the word go, while their defence was marshalled by Doe.

Milenkovic had a golden opportunity to score for Valley after 10m. but shot over the bar. Hodgson was a tireless worker for Valley and combined well with Coyle to give the home side a few anxious moments.

Mornington probably had a slight edge in the first half and Valley's task was made that bit harder when Coyle received his marching orders after an altercation just on the break.

Strangely though, the player who gave Rob Love a right hook that would have done Mike Tyson proud went unpunished.

With 10 men Valley were up against it and the home side piled on the pressure, it was 10 minutes before Valley got up to the Mornington penalty area where Hodgson's shot went just over.

The only goal of the game was scored by Golby in the 60th minute with a fine shot from 25 metres.

Valley lifted its game and Milenkovic and Hodgson were unlucky not to grab the equaliser.

In the finish Mornington deserved their win. They used the ball much better than the opposition and in the second half they made good use of the extra man.

On top of that there was a much greater desire to win the ball especially in to:50 situations.

— *Gordon Kirkwood*

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Provisional League DIVISION TWO

LALOR 0 SOUTH DANDENONG 0

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Industrial League Contd.

Alexander the Great was dumped from third to fifth when it went down to the Macedonians 2-0. Sunshine United returned to its winning ways, having the better of Dingley United 5-1 in a scrambly encounter.

No sooner had we decided on how the championship race in Division Two Afternoon would be concluded (see last week's issue) then along came North Dandenong Sparrows and spoiled all our careful forecasts. It was the Sparows, you will remember, who upset Flemington Floridia last week and so gave Bayside ATA what seemed to be a tight grip on the chmpionship. Not content with that, they came out on Sunday and murdered the Baysiders 3-1. For the first time this season, Bayside ATA tasted the dregs of defeat and found them exceeding bitter.

A scorless first half played at breakneck pace provided many exciting moments. Bayside might have gone into the lead at the 12th minute when the ball came perilously close to crossing the Sparrows' goalline.

The Sparrows might have gone one up moments later when two forwards were set free with only the goalkeeper to beat, but were judged offside by what could only have been inches.

The second half saw no slowing of the pace, and it seemed that the deadlock would remain. At the 65th minute, however, to deafening chirrups of delight, Serge Lebrasse put the Sparrows one up. Moments later, Metin Ismailoglu made it 1-all.

Another 20 minutes of frantic endeavor remained unrewarded uyntil Lebrasse again broke free to notch his and the Sparrows' second. At the 87th minute Robert Fernandez put the issue beyond doubt.

Looking back on the match, one has to say that in hind-sight the Sparrows' win was no surprise. Although the Baysiders played the prettier football, their lines were always stretched thin, whereas the Sparrows were always able to attack and particularly to defend in numbers. It was this greater depth of defence which eventually led to the Baysiders' undoing.

While the result possibly provided the surprise of the day, it has not really made a great deal of difference. The championship will still probably be decided by the Round 18 encounter of the two front-runners. While Floridia will have the home ground advantage on that occasion, Bayside ATA will have the edge in confidence knowing they have already downed the Sicilians at their previous encounter.

Division Two Mixed produced a battle royal when Tottenham played host to the fast-finishing Middle East. This mini United Nations of the Orient has gathered pace and confidence in the latter part of the season and is now a threat to any contender.

Playing away from home, Middle East was rapidly into attack, but it was a measure of this game that the only goals produced were both notched in the first eight minutes, and both came as a result of brilliant individual efforts.

Four minutes had gone when Middle East's Ahmed Elzayet burst through a wall of defenders and hammered his side to the lead. Four minutes later, Nick Bosnjak did the same for Tottenham. It would be hard to separate these two goals in terms of their sheer virtuoso artistry.

Another interesting match in this division was that between Swinburne and Melbourne Pumas, which the Students eventually took out 3-1. This game was played at pedestrian pace until 15 minutes into the second half when Tim Fletcher put Swinburne one up. Stung to action, the Pumas quickened the pace, which at times became somewhat frantic.

The increased activity suited the Students. They have the ability to shift from defence to attack and back again seemingly at will, and always in numbers. The numerical superiority thus achieved more than compensates for what they might lack in individual flair.

Having launched into attack the Pines were rewarded when Nesto Hernandes came storming through from left back to even the score. Then came the most spectacular goal of the match when Swinburne's Gavin Mitchell, from the attacking edge of the centre circle, took the ball on the half volley.

His long driving semi-lob just scraped in under the bar, leaving the Pumas' keeper stretching in vain. At the 85th minute Swinburne again launched a massed attack from which Fletcher notched his side's third, and his own second, goal.

The final 3-1 scoreline was a fitting reward for Swinburne's efforts. On the day, it had clearly been the better side.

Their are unseemly chortles of joy at Rowville where the home side climbed off the bottom of the deck with a shock 2-0 win over Coomoora Spiders. For Rowville, Nick Drazic and Michael Samber were the scorers, with Mike McKinley outstanding. The Spiders might have done better had they converted to an early penalty, but made the mistake of putting it too close to the Rowville keeper.

The other semi-shock in this division was Flamingo's 6-4 win over Windsor, while Melbourne Rumania continued on its losing ways, going down 3-6 to Thomastown United. Hampton Park, meanwhile, consolidated its position, with Robbie Black notching a hat-trick, and Glenroy Doxa giving it its fourth. Joey Gambin scored both the Doxa goals in a game where the home side could, a probably should, have done a lot better.

Three weeks ago, Windsor and Hampton Park were locked in a neck-and-neck struggle with Coomoora Spiders still an outside chance. Today, the Parkers are virtually dead set certainties, with only a mass outbreak of Legionnaires Disease likely to stop them. Windsor, victim of a continuing player drain, is but a shadow of its former self, while the Spiders — having lost in succession to the ninth and tenth placed teams — must be kicking themselves with spiked boots.

Finally, to Division One Morning, where Middle Park is more than middling happy at picking up its second win of the season (convincingly 4-1 over Australian Airlines) and finally climbing away from Wooden Spoon territory. Meanwhile, at the top, Highpoint, Footscray United, Altona Ilinden and ANZ Bank all had handsome wins to retain their respective positions. But you can put away your glasses, Highpoint has the championship sewn up.

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BOX HILL V RINGWOOD C .....
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FRANKSTON P V NORTHCOTE C.....

VICTORIAN LEAGUE
RD. 1 — Saturday
NUNAWADING CITY V WERRIBEE.....
KNOX CITY V MOOROOLBARK.....
DANDENONG V WESTERN SUBURBS .....
ESSENDON CITY V OAKLEIGH .....
WESTGATE V SANDRINGHAM CITY.....
Sunday
MORDIALLOC V BROADMEADOWS C.....
ALBION V DOVETON.....

VIC LEAGUE
Division 2 — Saturday
DONCASTER ROVERS V COBURG .....
PORT MELBOURNE V SUNBURY UN.....
CLIFTON HILL V NORTH GEELONG.....
BRIGHTON V RICHMOND.....
GEELONG V HEIDELBERG CITY.....
KEILOR V YARRAVILLE.....
WAVERLEY CITY V RINGWOOD UNITED....

Div. 3 — Saturday
CLARINDA V HAWTHORN.....
MOORABBIN CITY V LALOR UN .....
YALLOURN V SEAFORD UNITED .....
BELL PARK V CORIO/GEELONG UN.....
CHELSEA V ALTONA CITY.....
HOLLAND PARK V MORNINGTON .....
SPRINGVALE UN V ELTHAM/DIAMOND V....

Div. 4 — Saturday
PASCOE VALE V ROSANNA.....
E. BRUNSWICK/IVANH. V FERNTREE G....
BENTLEIGH GREENS V CLAYTON .....
BORONIA V MORELAND PARK RANGERS....
KEYSBOROUGH V KARINGAL UN.....
REGENT V WILLIAMSTOWN .....

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE
Div. 1 — Saturday
SOUTH YARRA V MELTON .....
WESTMEADOWS V MOSSFIEL RANGERS...
OAKLEIGH SUBURBS V PRAHRAN.....
SPRINGVALE C V BERWICK CITY .....
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Div. 2 — Saturday
BALLARAT V ASCOT ST MARKS.....
SOUTH DANDENONG V FRANKSTON UN...
MONASH UNI V UNI OF MELB.....
CRANBOURNE V SOUTH SPRINGVALE.....
GLENROY V PORT UNITED .....
FOREST HILL V BRINTONS.....

Div. 3 — Saturday
BATMAN UNITED V BRANDON PARK .....
MEADOW PARK V NORTH CLAYTON .....
KEW EAGLES V MITCHEM UN .....
MONBULK V WANTIRNA .....
RINGWOOD ROVERS V FITZROY CITY .....
CARRUM UN V ALTONA UNITED.....
RIVERSDALE V LYNDALE UNITED.....

AMATEUR LEAGUE
Div. 1 — Sunday
ANSTEY UNITED V COLLINGWOOD C.....
KEILOR UNITED V HAWTHORN UN.....
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CONCORDE V DIAMOND VALLEY.....
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MELBOURNE UNIV V INTERCITY .....
N.E.S.L. — Sunday
SHEPPARTON SOUTH V L EMNOS .....

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the 24th minute as Ivanovich delivered to Joe Mullen, who relayed to Maxwell on the edge of the box.

Big Maxwell fired goalwards and his shot took a wicked deflection off Olympic defender Steve Georgakis before sailing past Meier into the top left-hand corner of the net.

Mullen and Olympic captain Robert Hooker were both booked by referee Donald Campbell ten minutes before half-time when Hooker fouled Mullen and the City striker reacted angrily.

It was 2-0 for City three minutes before the break when Socceroo defender Alex Tobin sent a low cross into the goalmouth where Georgiakis slid to intercept only to rattle the crossbar with his attempted clearance.

Aurelio Vidmar netted the rebound with a flying header to send City in at half-time to a standing ovation.

Olympic attacked from the start of the second half with unlucky Georgakis wearing a head bandage, seemingly symptomatic of his team's wounded state.

If referee Campbell thought his final NSL game would be a picnic, his plans changed as he rapidly booked Ivanovich for a foul on Alistair Edwards and Bernal for a bad tackle on Sergio Melta before breaking up a full scale brawl as all but the respective goalkeepers joined in. When the dust of the donneybrook settled Campbell showed his yellow card to Edwards.

Little Lee was the recipient of a stern lecture from Campbell in the 66th minute and the midfielder was booked as he continued to argue a point of law.

Thomson brought on Tony Spyriadakos, for John Koch as he strove to find a passage past the ironclad City defence.

But City absorbed the pressure with goalkeeper Robert Zabica sure in the air and safe on the ground.

NSL Cup Final — Adelaide City 2 (Maxwell 24th, A. Vidmar 42nd) d Sydney Olympic 0. Best — Adelaide City: Ivanovich, Tobin, Melta, Mullen, Zabica; Olympic: Hooker, Bernal, Edwards, Lee.

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MANSFIELD BUNNEY LEAGUE CUP: KO 2 pm Sunday: St Albans Dynamo v Highpoint, ANZ Bank v Altona Ilinden, Flamingo v Glenroy Dox Un, Ardeer v Montrose.

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MANSFIELD BUNNEY INVITATION CUP — KO 11.30 am: Windsor v Melb. Rumania, North. Dandenong Sparrows v Cretan Athletic, Highpoint v Middle Park, Flamingo v Elwood United.

CATCH-UP MATHES VARIOUS DIVISIONS: 10 am: Sunshine Macedonia v Endeavour United, Sunbury v St Albans Wanderers, Bowater v Taxation Un, Salesian Old Boys v Dingley Un, Embassy Taxis ** v Epping Thistle (at Epping), Keilor Old Boys v Nippondenso.

Afternoon KO — Reserves 12.45 pm, Firsts 2.45 pm: Rowville v Springvale Eagles, Middle East v Melb. Pumas, Harambee v Leros United, Northern Cross St Helena v Tottenham, Dandenong Un v Elwood Un.

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HOW YOUR TEAM FARED Contd. from page 12

strong wind and a poor playing surface was the first priority. Good soccer came a struggling second.

With the wind favouring the visitors in the first half it became almost 'one way traffic' for the Dandenong team with the ball rarely out of the Lalor half.

So began a catalogue of missed chances that should have seen South cross over several goals to the good.

Headers by Sepetci and Yildirim went wide. Elmazovski was put through but failed to connect cleanly. Elmazovski had a further chance but his speed was nullified by the bumpy surface. An overhead kick by Sepetci found Yildirim who beat the goalkeeper only to see his lob hit the crossbar. A South free kick by Jusic hit the base of the upright. Lalor goalkeeper, Sapardanis, was in action throughout.

Amidst all this South dominance, Lalor did have one good chance when Doumbalis crossed from the left but Bourinaris made a mess of things. Lalor came more into the picture in the second half and South 'keeper, Memishi, was fully stretched to save from a free kick and two subsequent corners. A Sepetci interception for the visitors put Yildirim in with a perfect chance. His 'placed' ball was turned for a corner by Sapardanis. Bourinaris for Lalor shot wide when nicely placed.

Paspalis found space and brought out a good save from the South 'keeper. The home team's best chance came when a low ball from Topouzis alluded meishi but Bourinaris failed to connect at the far post.

Poor finishing by both Doumbalis and Bourinaris let South off the hook but even easier chances that came Dandenong's way went begging.

Late in the game Dogan found the net but the goal was cancelled out through an offside decision.

— A.J. Hitchman

MOOROOLBARK V DANDENONG

IN a game that Mooroolbark were expected to win, the homeside, yet again, fell behind to an early Dandenong goal.

What seemed like a quite innocuous shot from outside the area beat Barkers keepers who appeard to be unsighted.

The response by Mooroolbark to this was daunting! Straight from the kick off, the ball was played through the Dandenong defence to Greg House wide on the left who turned it inside to G. French, took a return and from near the bye line sent a beautiful pass across the box for Steve Reid to come onto and volley into the Dandenong ark. A magnificent goal in any company — as someone said, "It's a pity it wasn't videoed — it was a model of 'one touch' football at its best."

Mooroolbark continued to dominate the play in second half and were rewarded by a second goal in the 50th minute by Greg House. This again was a classically worked good and thorough one what gave the Mooroolbark strength was the willingness to work for each other.

But for the courage and play of keeper in the Dandenong goal the score could have been even greater and Steve Reid got his second and M/B third in the 60th minute for Mooroolbark to finish the game strongly.

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Adidas Leading Goalscorers
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Cassar (MF)	Della Rocca (Juve)	Farla (Fawk)	Lipiarski (Mar)	Nicoski (Alt)
Constantinou.J(North)	De Propertis (Thom)	Fourna (S'vale)	Livingstone (Bull)	Radecki (FP)
Constantinou.N(North)	De Ridder (Ring)	Greenwood (Caul)	Marley (Juve)	Ragusa (Thom)
Cuming (Ring)	Dimovski (Caul)	Griffin (Thom)	McDonagh (FP)	Ristovski (Alt)
Curulli (Bull)	Dragovic (St.A)	Grimaud (FP)	McLeod (BH)	Ruccia (Bull)
Davis (Alt)	Elsey (GG)	Ham (BH)	McPhee (BH)	Smart (GG)
		Hennessey (Thom)	Narutic (St.A)	Sweeney (FP)
		Kebakovski (Alt)	Micevski (Alt)	Thodis (North)
		Keenan (FP)	Miller (FP)	Thomas (BH)
		Kontouris (Caul)	Minichiello (Juve)	Varechia (Spr)

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IT'S THE STATE LEAGUE MATCH OF THE YEAR

CROYDON CITY

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- *Back row: Michael Antolos (President), Ian Dobson (Coach), Darren Scott, Dave McIntosh, Paul Langsbury, Greg Brack, Gordon Runje, Colin Quigley, John Hannigan (Team Manager).*
- *Front row: Andy Humble, Mark Brown, Nick van Egmond, Steve Brimmer, Alan Roodhouse, Mirko Runje.*

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BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS

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- *Back row, left to right: Sean Lane, Robert Giandomenico, Vlatko Belic, Pat Marrama, Paul Della Rocca, Steve Glockner, Reno Minichiello, Frank McGrellis.*
- *Front row: Pat Giaccherini, Steve Marley, Willie Herd, Fabio Palleschi, Fausto De Amicis.*

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● KO 7.30 PM

Can Croydon stop Juve's gallop towards the title?